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LETTER DATED 12 JULY 1992 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF EGYPT TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of a letter addressed to you by Mr. Amre Moussa, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Arab Republic of Egypt, in which Egypt requests the United Nations to undertake, as quickly as possible, all measures provided for in the Charter of the United Nations, in particular Chapter VII, in order to put an end to the tragedy that has befallen the population of Bosnia and Herzegovina as a result of the Belgrade Government's policy of forced emigration.

I should be grateful if you would have the text of this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Mohamed Noman GALAL
Minister Plenipotentiary
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Annex

Letter dated 11 July 1992 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Egypt addressed to the Secretary-General

With reference to my letter of 6 July 1992, circulated as a document of the Security Council (S/24242), concerning reports that the Belgrade Government is forcibly displacing the inhabitants of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina from their territory to the borders of neighbouring States via Serbian territory, I should like to draw your attention to the note addressed to the President of the Security Council on 3 July 1992 by the Permanent Representative of Hungary to the United Nations, indicating that the Belgrade Government was subjecting the inhabitants of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina to a policy of forced emigration and compelling them to bear passports of the "Federal Republic of Yugoslavia", a policy established unilaterally by the Government of Belgrade and not recognized by the international community.

The international community's silence with respect to the policy of forced emigration inflicted upon the population of Bosnia and Herzegovina encourages the Belgrade Government to persist in its policy of expelling the inhabitants of that new State. That is why the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt is requesting the United Nations and the Security Council to undertake, as quickly as possible, all measures provided for in various chapters of the Charter of the United Nations, in particular Chapter VII, in order to put an end to the tragedy that has befallen the population of Bosnia and Herzegovina and which is a disgrace to the entire international community. Egypt also requests the imposition of an immediate cease-fire accompanied by the rapid withdrawal of Serbian forces and armed militias, as well as the guarantee that émigrés and expelled persons will be able to return to their homes in safety, and the effective and comprehensive launching of international operations.

The situation demands that the United Nations take rapid action to protect the Sarajevo airport so that humanitarian aid can continue to reach the population of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and to ensure that peace-keeping forces are deployed along the frontier between the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) in order to prevent new acts of aggression and to put an end to efforts to expel the inhabitants of Bosnia and Herzegovina from their territory.

The Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt considers that the Belgrade Government bears full responsibility for all the acts of aggression perpetrated by its forces and by the militias that cooperate with them against the population of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

(Signed) Amre MOUSSA
Minister for Foreign Affairs